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Secretary with the full and active participation of the Indian tribes with trust funds held by the Secretary and other affected Indian tribes

(h) EFFECT.—The lack of promulgated regulations shall not limit the effect of this title.

TITLE III—SPECIAL TRUSTEE FOR AMERICAN INDIANS

SEC. 301. PURPOSES.

The purposes of this title are—

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(1) to provide for more effective management of, and accountability for the proper discharge of, the Secretary's trust responsibilities to Indian tribes and individual Indians by establishing in the Department of the Interior an Office of Special Trustee for American Indians to oversee and coordinate reforms within the Department of practices relating to the management and discharge of such responsibilities.

(2) to ensure that reform of such practices in the Department is carried out in a unified manner and that reforms of the policies, practices, procedures and systems of the Bureau of Land Management, Minerals Management Service, and Bureau of Land Management, which carry out such trust responsibilities, are effective, consistent, and integrated; and

(3) to ensure the implementation of all reforms necessary for the proper discharge of the Secretary's trust responsibilities to Indian tribes and individual Indians.

SEC. 302. OFFICE OF SPECIAL TRUSTEE FOR AMERICAN INDIANS.

(4) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby established within the Department of the Interior the Office of Special Trustee for American Indians. The Office shall be headed by the Special Trustee who shall report directly to the Secretary.

(5) SPECIAL TRUSTEE.—

(6) APPOINTMENT.—The Special Trustee shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, from among individuals who possess demonstrated ability in general managerial government or businesses and particular knowledge of trust fund management, financial institutions, and the investment of large sums

of money.

(7) COMPENSATION.—The Special Trustee shall be paid at a rate determined by the Secretary to be appropriate for the position, but not less than the rate of basic pay payable at Level II of the Executive Schedule under section 5313 of title 5, United States Code.

(c) TERMINATION OF OFFICE.—
(8) CONDITIONED UPON IMPLEMENTATION OF REFORMS.—

The Special Trustee, in proposing a termination date under section 303(a)(2)(C), shall ensure continuation of the Office until all reforms identified in the strategic plan have been implemented to the satisfaction of the Special Trustee.

(9) 30-DAY NOTICE.—Thirty days prior to the termination date proposed in the plan submitted under this section, the Special Trustee shall notify the Secretary and the Congress in writing of the progress in implementing the reforms identi-